

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

21. (currently amended): A teleconferencing system for conducting a teleconference among a plurality of participants comprising:

- (a) a plurality of video display devices each having associated
 - (i) participant video capture capabilities, and
 - (ii) participant audio
 - (1) capture and
 - (2) reproduction capabilities; and
- (b) at least one communication path
 - (i) along which signals
 - (1) representing participant audio and video
 - (ii) can be transmitted,
- (c) a graphical rolodex displayed on a participant's video display device and including a scrollable listing of entries of video-enabled potential participants; and
- (d) a quick dial list, listing icons representing video-enabled potential participants copied from the graphical rolodex, wherein the system is configured to ~~(a) to~~ allow an initiating participant to
 - (i) initiate collaboration by selecting at least one participant listed in at least one of the graphical rolodex and quick dial list, and
 - (ii) automatically establish one of a plurality of communication types, with a selected participant, upon a communication type being selected or by default when the participant is selected.

22. (previously presented): The teleconferencing system of claim 21, wherein the quick dial list includes displayed icons and text representing the potential participants.

23. (previously presented) The teleconferencing system of claim 21, wherein
- (a) a selecting participant can
 - (i) select
 - (1) at least one of the participants and
 - (2) at least one of a displayed set of additional communication types;
 - and
- wherein the system is further configured to
- (i) establish communication
 - (1) of the selected type
 - (2) with a selected participant.
24. (previously presented): The teleconferencing system of claim 21, wherein the communication types includes at least one of data conferencing, videoconferencing, telephone conferencing, real-time text, sending faxes, sending electronic mail, and the sending of multimedia mail messages.
25. (Cancelled)
26. (previously presented): The teleconferencing system of claim 23, wherein the system
- (a) defaults
 - (i) to the default communication type
 - (ii) upon double clicking on another participant's listing.
27. (previously presented): The teleconferencing system of claim 21, wherein the system is further configured to allow a participant:
- (a) to select
 - (i) a further participant
 - (ii) from the video-enabled potential participants and
 - (b) add
 - (i) the new participant
 - (ii) to the teleconference.

28. (previously presented) The teleconferencing system of claim 21, wherein the system is further configured to:

- (a) allow
 - (i) at least one participant
 - (ii) access
 - (1) to at least one audio and/or video signal source; and
- (b) reproduce
 - (i) audio and video
 - (1) based on signals
 - (2) from the accessed signal source
 - (ii) for another participant.

29. (previously presented): The system of claim 21, wherein the system is further configured so that

- (a) a selecting participant can
 - (i) select
 - (1) at least one of the video-enabled potential participants
 - (2) using a hot key.

30. (currently amended) A method for conducting a teleconference among a plurality of participants, each having an associated video capture and display and audio capture and reproduction capabilities, the method comprising the steps of:

- (a) displaying a graphical rolodex on a participant's video display device, and including a scrollable listing of entries of video-enabled potential participants;
- (b) displaying a quick dial list on the participant's video display device and listing icons representing video-enabled potential participants copied from the graphical rolodex,
- (c) allowing an initiating participant to initiate collaboration by selecting at least one participant listed in at least one of the graphical rolodex and quick dial list; and
; and

- (d) automatically establishing one of a plurality of communication types with a selected participant upon a communication type being selected or by default when the participant is selected.
31. (previously presented): The method of claim 30, wherein the quick dial list includes displayed icons and text representing potential participants.
32. (previously presented): The method of claim 30, further comprising the steps of:
- (a) selecting
 - (i) one or more desired participants
 - (ii) from the graphical rolodex; and
 - (b) selecting
 - (i) one or more desired participants;
 - (ii) from the quick-dial list; and
 - (c) establishing communication
 - (i) with all selected participants.
33. (previously presented) The method of claim 30, further comprising the steps of:
- (a) selecting a communication type,
 - (i) from a displayed set of additional communication types; and
 - (b) establishing communication
 - (i) of the selected type,
 - (ii) with each selected participant(s).
34. (previously presented): The method of claim 33, wherein
- (a) the communication types includes at least one of data conferencing, videoconferencing, telephone conferencing, real-time text, sending faxes, sending electronic mail and sending multimedia mail messages.
35. (previously presented): The method of claim 33, wherein
- (a) the step of selecting
 - (i) one or more participants

- (ii) invokes a default communication type
 - (iii) upon double clicking on another participant's listing.
- 36. (previously presented): The method of claim 30, further comprising the steps of:
 - (a) selecting
 - (i) a new participant
 - (ii) from among a plurality of video enabled potential participants; and
 - (b) adding
 - (i) the new participant
 - (ii) to the teleconference.
- 37. (previously presented) The method of claim 30, further comprising the steps of:
 - (a) detecting,
 - (i) during a first teleconference
 - (1) between a first and a second participant,
 - (ii) an attempt
 - (1) by a third caller
 - (2) to initiate a second teleconference
 - (3) with the second participant;
 - (b) notifying
 - (i) the second participant
 - (ii) of the attempt; and
 - (c) allowing the second participant
 - (i) to add
 - (ii) the third caller
 - (iii) to the first teleconference.
- 38. (previously presented) The method of claim 30, further comprising the steps of:
 - (a) allowing at least one participant
 - (i) access to at least one audio and/or video signal source, and

- (b) reproducing video and/or audio
 - (i) based on signals,
 - (ii) from the accessed signal source;
 - (iii) for another participant.
39. (previously presented) The method of claim 30, further comprising the step of:
- (a) allowing a participant
 - (i) in an existing teleconference with
 - (1) a plurality of other participants
 - (ii) to place on hold
 - (iii) at least one of the other participants.
40. (previously presented) The method of claim 30, further comprising the step of:
- (a) allowing a participant
 - (i) in an existing teleconference with
 - (1) a plurality of other participants
 - (ii) to disconnect
 - (iii) at least one of the other participants.
41. (previously presented): The method of claim 30, further comprising the steps of:
- (a) selecting a video-enabled potential participant
 - (i) by using a hot key.
42. (currently amended): The teleconferencing system of claim 21, wherein entries are copied to ~~the~~ the quick dial list by dragging entries from the graphical rolodex into the quick dial list.
43. (previously presented): The method of claim 30, wherein entries are copied to the quick dial list by dragging entries from the graphical rolodex into the quick dial list.